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President's Message

Hi Everyone,

Well, another summer season is coming to an end and it was the first time in a while that we were able to travel and enjoy getting back together again with friends and family. The Annual CAWMC AGM and Breakfast meeting was held at the RCNA Convention in Ottawa. I would like to thank the members who attended the meeting and who contributed items to the auction. It was great for members to meet up in person and enjoy a breakfast and the ever popular auction. Looking forward to next year, when we will meet up in Halifax and have the chance to enjoy the famous east coast hospitality and the great seafood that the area has to offer.

The Treasurer's report from the AGM is published in this issue of Timber Talk. It shows that the Association is financially sound and stable. I would like to thank Al Munro for looking after the association's financials and membership portfolios over the years.

At the Convention, there were eight different coloured woods issued, for people who attended certain events at the Convention. I know members were excited to hunt down all eight and complete a set of them. There was one part of the design on the Ottawa Numismatic Society side that I think no one noticed, if you look closely you will see that the year is indicated on it, in a way that I think is cleverly done.

Happy Labour Day to Everyone!!

Cheers, James

Featured Wood of the Month

Jim' Charlton's 50th Convention Anniversary Wood



This month's free wood was issued by the late James E. (Jim) Charlton for when he attended his 50th consecutive C.N.A. convention held in Windsor, Ontario in 2003. The wood is 45mm in diameter, is blue / black in colour and is listed as 5913 - 003 under Vineland in our catalogue.

Jim was considered by most to be the dean of Canadian coin collectors and was instrumental in introducing many people to the hobby of collecting coins.

He first published his Catalogue of Canadian Coins, Tokens and Fractional Currency in 1952. The Tokens and Paper currency eventually spun into their own books and The Charlton Standard Catalogue of Canadian Coins became the authority on numismatics in Canada. It continues to be published today.

From 1948 to 1961, Jim was employed by the Toronto Star newspaper as a chief engineer responsible for the newspaper's physical plant on King Street in downtown Toronto. During that time, and for some years later, he wrote a Coin column for the Star newspaper, and also for the now defunct Toronto Telegram newspaper.

Following 1961, Jim devoted his full time to his Canadian Coin Exchange business.

It can be said that Jim's efforts, in publishing and promoting Canadian numismatics, transformed the hobby into an affordable and popular hobby for not just the few, but for all to enjoy.



On many occasions, over the years, Jim attended our CAWMC general meetings and breakfasts held in conjunction with the C.N.A. conventions. He often said that he so very much enjoyed meeting with the people in the friendly, fun hobby of wooden money collecting.

Jim issued several woods over the years, listed under the cities of Toronto, Grimsby and Vineland.

Jim died in Hamilton, Ontario on Sept. 30, 2013, in his 103rd year.

Ross

You are invited

The Southern Ontario Chapter of CWMC invites you to an informal gathering to be held at the occasion of the Ontario Numismatic Association convention. The gathering will take place at 4:00PM on Saturday, September 10, 2022, in the Hazel McCallion Room, at the Hilton Mississauga/Meadowvale, 6750 Mississauga Road, Mississauga ON. All wooden money collectors and guests are welcome.

Chips from the Woodpile By Dave Gillespie

The Calgary Numismatic Society honoured the Calgary Stampede on its 100th Anniversary with a wood for the Mar. 10 & 11, 2012 Spring Coin Show. Over 350,000 spectators were anticipated for July celebrations.

Richmond Hill located halfway between Toronto and Lake Simcoe was one of the fastest growing communities in the 1990s and in the early 20th century known as the "Rose Capital" of Canada. The Richmond Hill Coin Club adopted the rose and inscription 'En la rose je Fleuris (French for 'Like the rose, I flourish') on its many woods issued and pictured in Norm Belsten's catalogue.

On January 13th, 2010 the Saskatoon Coin Club celebrated its 50th Anniversary with a banquet and the issuing of a wood for the members and collectors alike and shortly thereafter in 2012 held its 50th Annual Coin & Stamp Show at the Ramada Hotel.

An article in the November 2012 issue of our newsletter provided a picture and write-up about the Bass Lake Bar & Grill located at 4700 Hwy 169, MacTier and the wood was 'Good For One Mixed Drink'. This wood does not seem to be listed in our catalogue. Do you have this wood in your collection? If so, can you provide our editor with some information and even a catalogue number and a story for our members on how the wood was acquired?

The Champlain Coin Club celebrated its 50th Anniversary in 2012 and a wood to honour the event was made and released after June 1st of that year.

Port Rowan on Lake Erie is home to the Backus Mill. The Backus family (the original name was Backhouse) owned and operated a water powered sawmill from 1796 to 1910 and a grist mill from 1910 to 1946. The 12 ft. diameter water wheel that operated the mill was the 'overshot' type made of oak with 36 buckets and weighing 3 tons. The machinery used wooden cogs and leather belt pulleys. Visitors watched grain being ground into flour during summer tours and sampled some of their many cakes and baked goods from whole wheat flour/stone ground. Two attractive woods were made for the Backus Mill and shown in the catalogue as # 5752 - 001A & B.

A cute and humorous story sent in by Edith Lenz was published in the May 2012 issue. "A young man shopping in a supermarket noticed a little old lady following him around. If he stopped, she stopped. Furthermore, she kept staring at him. She finally overtook him at the checkout, turned to him and said, "hope I haven't made you feel ill at ease; it's just that you look so much like my late

son". He answered, *That's okay. I know it's silly she said, but if you would call out 'Goodbye Mom' as I leave the store, it would make me feel so happy. She then went through the checkout, and as she was on her way out of the store, the young man called out, 'Goodbye Mom'. The little old lady waved and smiled back at him. Pleased that he had brought a little sunshine into someone's day, he went to pay for his groceries. That comes to \$ 121.85 said he clerk. The young man said, "How come so much? I only bought 5 items". The clerk replied, 'Yeah, but your mother said you'd be paying for her things too. Just remember, you can't always trust Little Old Ladies !!!*

Til next time Let the Chips lie where they fall. Dave Gillespie

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### **Answer to Quiz Question in August 2022 Chips -**

*Q. What wood issued in 1973 was handed out at a Summer Festival in 1976 by the Arlington Hotel and was 'Good for One Free Drink of Canadian Mist'?*

*A. Canadian Mist, Collingwood, Ontario (cat. # 5196-001)*

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LOU VESH's new address

I have received a very kind note from Lou Vesh, from Thunder Bay On, saying that he and Yvonne recently moved to a retirement home. Lucky Lou reports that the food there is delicious and that portions had to be reduced, for their health's sake!

Lou wishes to advise the membership of his new address:

Lou and Yvonne Vesh

325 S Archibald St. Apt 4305

Thunder Bay ON Canada P7E 1G6

His phone number remains unchanged.

We wish Yvonne and Lou good luck and good health in their new digs!

France

New 2022 wood by Scott Douglas

By Judy Blackman

Scott Douglas engaged James Williston (CAWMC President, owner of CWW) to make him 200 hot-stamped (foil) woods (38 mm). 140 are black on both sides. Then there are 5 sets of 12 (total 60) with each set consisting of different colour: purple, pink, red, gold / metallic yellow, blue, green, turquoise, fuchsia, brown, silver, black, and copper / metallic orange. Now those *woodies* who are close to Scott know he's not been a person to ever issue a wood, although he's kept all personalized woods given to him by his friends. So, this is a true historic moment in bearing witness to Scott issuing a wood and in such a big way! He says it will likely be the only time. Like Scott, the wood has much charm and humour. The obverse legend is in a very stylistic font, and reads, "Scott E. Douglas" above a Canadian Maple Leaf and a Scottish Bagpipe, and below that "Numismatic Researcher / of Canadian / Tokens and Medals". The reverse reads above a circle of a large tree branch with winding branches around it and leaves, "While researching / into my family tree / When I login, what do I see / My roots they may show that I / am a Scot, but a collector of / woods I really am knot! What a great surprise when Scott (and Deb) dropped a set off today (May 26, 2022) plus 2 extra for a total of 14 woods to add to my collection of "friends' woods".



From the editor: Scott Douglas was also very kind to CAWMC in giving us a set of these woods for auction at our AGM-Breakfast, held in Ottawa in July. So, of these five sets, three stayed in Scott's family, one was given to our Life Member Judy, as per her note, and the last one now belongs to one of our members. CAWMC thanks Scott Douglas for his generosity.

CAWMC AGM Held in Ottawa on July 23rd, 2022

President's Report

I would like to thank everyone for attending this year's CAWMC AGM held in Ottawa, Ontario at the Delta Hotel in downtown Ottawa during the 2022 RCNA Convention.

It is great to see everyone here today and being able to have an in person meeting.

I would like to thank Rob Osborne taking over the "Wood of the Month" program. I know all CAWMC members look forward each year to receive their package of woods and adding them their collection. I would also like to thank Ross Kingdon for all his time and effort over the past years in being the member who ran the program.

The Association's membership is strong and we are adding members each year. This is important as it helps in making the Association grow in many ways, with new ideas, energy and being able to make new friends. For a Club to grow and survive, it requires a strong common goal and members who want to step forward and help whenever the call goes out.

As my first year as CAWMC President draws to an end, I would like to thank everyone who helped me with their advice and expertise in making the past year run smoothly and am looking forward my second year term as President.

I would like to congratulate France Waychison as she is the newest member to be awarded the Honorary Life Membership for CAWMC. France over the years has done many roles on CAWMC's Executive Board from being a Vice President (2013-2015) for one term and President (2015-2021). Currently France is the Editor for Timber Talk, our Association's monthly newsletter. France is an avid wooden money collector and has issued many personal woods over the years.

Looking forward to seeing everyone next July in Halifax, Nova Scotia. Hope to see you all there.

Cheers, ***James***

July 23.2022

President James Williston welcomed everyone and invited them to enjoy breakfast.

James called for a moment of silence for any members and friends of the hobby including Manitoba token collector James Astwood and Victoria coin dealer John Cheramy who passed away since the last meeting.

James asked for a volunteer to sell 50/50 tickets. Dave Gillespie (Ont) volunteered and James announced tickets were now available.

Dave Gillespie (ON) said Grace.

The formal meeting was called to order at 8:10 AM by President James Williston.

Everyone was asked to sign the attendance sheet. There were 28 members and guests present.

James confirmed there was a quorum present.

James asked for approval of the minutes of the meeting held on July 22, 2021 and published in Timber Talk. Moved by France. Seconded by Russell Stubbart. Motion carried.

James read the President's Report. (See separate attachment) James moved acceptance of his report. Seconded by Jeff Wilson. Carried

Al Munro then presented the 2021 Treasurer's Report. He advised the association made \$598.90 last year and \$208.75 in 2020. Al advised the cancelation of the live convention in 2021 resulted in reduced funds for fundraising activities although the virtual auction raised \$383.30. Members including Michael Turrini, Lou Vesh, Jamie Langford and others donated generously to the organization assisting in the association having a profit for the year. Al also advised that postage cost was again increased due to mailing of more packages of free woods due to less direct contact with members. Al advised the Association incurred costs to produce thank you woods and another promotional wood. Al advised the association is in a good financial position and membership is around 80. The treasurer's report is attached as a separate report.

Al moved acceptance of the report. The motion was seconded by Dave Gillespie (ON). Carried.

France read the Editors report. The Editor's report is published as a separate report. Moved by France. Seconded by Ross Kingdon. Carried

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

RECOGNITION AWARDS

Our membership remained around the same in 2021 as in 2020. Our association appears to be in great shape to greet the reactivation of personal contact following the end of the Pandemic restrictions.

Al Munro Treasurer

**CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF WOODEN MONEY COLLECTORS
TREASURER'S
REPORT**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

(WITH COMPARATIVE FIGURES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020)

		<u>"2020"</u>	<u>"2021"</u>
RECEIPTS			
Members dues		\$760.00	\$755.00
Donation	Auction	\$0.00	\$383.30
	Decorated Woods	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Other	\$25.00	\$402.15
Interest		\$96.54	\$47.83
U.S. Exchange		<u>\$39.89</u>	<u>\$73.33</u>
 TOTAL		 <u>\$921.43</u>	 <u>\$1,661.61</u>
EXPENDITURES			
Timber Talk	Postage	\$359.03	\$344.75
	Printing	\$233.55	\$241.85
Secretary Treasurer		\$26.10	\$34.13
Distribution woods		\$50	\$63.08
Promotional woods		\$0.00	\$157.10
Editor's thank you woods		\$0.00	\$177.80
Membership R.C.N.A		<u>\$44.00</u>	<u>\$44.00</u>
 TOTAL		 <u>\$712.68</u>	 <u>\$1,062.71</u>
 NET RECEIPTS (EXPENDITURES)		 <u>\$208.75</u>	 <u>\$598.90</u>
 MEMBERS EQUITY , BEGINNING OF YEAR		 <u>\$6,702.67</u>	 <u>\$6,911.42</u>
 MEMBERS EQUITY, END OF YEAR		 <u>\$6,911.42</u>	 <u>\$7,510.32</u>



Citation for CAWMC Honorary Life Membership

As Secretary Treasurer, Past President, and Honorary Life member I am pleased to introduce the newest Honorary Life member of our association. For all her activities including the following:

Serving as President (2015-2021)

Volunteering to be and becoming Editor of Timber Talk.

Writing numerous articles for Timber Talk and other publications either in respect of individual tokens or on the pleasures and benefits of collecting wooden tokens.

Spearheading the issue of several woods promoting our hobby; Initiating a second series of awards for contribution to the newsletter.

Issuing many personal tokens which, most if not all, were distributed free of charge to the membership.

It is my pleasure to report that President James A Williston announced at the 2022 annual meeting in Ottawa that **France D Waychison** has been awarded an Honorary Life membership.

James also instructed the current editor of Timber Talk (France) to present our newest life member (France) with a complete set of the current Timber Talk award woods.

Al Munro

